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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the establishment of a mathematics and
2 science education improvement grant pilot project and making
3 an appropriation.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT
1 2 GRANT PILOT PROJECT == APPROPRIATION.
1 3 1. The department of education shall establish and
1 4 administer a mathematics and science education improvement
1 5 grant pilot project to provide a grant to an area education
1 6 agency for purposes of providing a regional and cooperative
1 7 program for any of the following purposes:
1 8 a. Teacher training, professional development, and
1 9 teacher-in-residence programs in the areas of mathematics and
1 10 science.
1 11 b. Supplemental mathematics, science, engineering, and
1 12 other technology-oriented educational opportunities for
1 13 students, including opportunities for low-income, female, and
1 14 minority students.
1 15 c. Internships and workplace learning opportunities in the
1 16 areas of mathematics and science.
1 17 d. Expansion and alignment of curriculum in the areas of
1 18 mathematics and science.
1 19 2. Participation by one or more Iowa targeted businesses
1 20 or business organizations is required in order for an area
1 21 education agency to receive a grant.
1 22 3. Not more than two percent of the grant amount awarded
1 23 shall be used for administrative costs.
1 24 4. Grant criteria shall be developed by the department in
1 25 consultation with business organizations.
1 26 5. Within forty-five days of completion of the project,
1 27 the grant recipient shall submit a report to the department
1 28 describing the uses and activities supported by the grant
1 29 funding and the progress made in achieving the purpose of the
1 30 project. The department shall submit the grant recipient's
1 31 report, a summary of the report, and its findings and
1 32 recommendations regarding the project in a report to the
1 33 general assembly within forty-five days of receipt of the
1 34 grant recipient's report.
1 35 6. The grant recipient shall share the methods and results
2 1 of the project with other area education agencies.
2 2 7. a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
2 3 state to the department of education for the fiscal year
2 4 beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009, two hundred
2 5 thousand dollars for purposes of this section.
2 6 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
2 7 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
2 8 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
2 9 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until
2 10 the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

EXPLANATION

2 11 This bill directs the department of education to establish
2 12 a mathematics and science education improvement grant pilot
2 13 project and appropriates \$200,000 for the pilot project.
2 14 An area education agency may apply to the department for a
2 15 pilot project grant for purposes of providing a regional and
2 16 cooperative program for teacher training, professional
2 17 development, and teacher-in-residence programs in the areas of
2 18 mathematics and science; supplemental mathematics, science,
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2 20 engineering, and other technology-oriented educational
2 21 opportunities for students, including opportunities for
2 22 low-income, female, and minority students; internships and
2 23 workplace learning opportunities in the areas of mathematics
2 24 and science; and expansion and alignment of curriculum in the
2 25 areas of mathematics and science.

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